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(U) Lithuania intends to send both Defense and Foreign Affairs Ministry officials to the July 20-21 Provincial Reconstruction Team effectiveness conference in Budapest. We delivered the invitation, agenda, and Lithuania-specific questions to Alvydas Kunigelis, Director of International Relations at the Ministry of Defense and Vytautas Leskavicius of the MFA's Security Policy Department. Kunigelis told us that he had already heard about the conference and that the Ministry would send one or two representatives. Leskavicius told us that the MFA would coordinate with the Defense Ministry and let us know soon who would make up the Lithuanian delegation. Both officials said that Lithuania is enthusiastic about the conference and eager to participate. KELLY